TOWN OF WESTFIELD WESTFIELD, NEW JERSEY

GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 2198

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE DOWNTOWN WESTFIELD SCATTERED SITE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, *N.J.A.C.* 40A:12A-1, *et seq.*, as amended and supplemented (the "**Redevelopment Law**"), provides a process for municipalities to participate in the redevelopment and improvement of areas designated by the municipality as being in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, the Mayor and Council of the Town (the "Governing Body") adopted Resolution Number 77-2020, requesting and authorizing the Town's Planning Board ("Planning Board") to undertake a preliminary investigation to determine whether certain properties including:

Block	Lot	Street Address
2405	15	146 Elm Street
2505	12.01	131 Elm Street
3001	5	360 Waterson Street
3101	5	300 South Avenue West
3103	7	301 North Avenue West
3107	2	116 Elmer Street
3116	11	148 Central Avenue

as identified on the Official Tax Map of the Town (the "Parking Lot Properties") qualify as a "non-condemnation" area in need of redevelopment pursuant to the Redevelopment Law; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, the Governing Body also adopted Resolution Number 78-2020, requesting and authorizing the Planning Board to undertake a preliminary investigation to determine whether the properties:

Block	Lot	Street Address
2502	14	630 North Avenue West
2506	1	526 North Avenue West
2508	11	601-613 North Avenue West

as identified on the Official Tax Map of the Town (the "L&T Properties," together with the Parking Lot Properties, the "Redevelopment Area") qualify as a "non-condemnation" area in need of redevelopment pursuant to the Redevelopment Law; and

WHEREAS, on June 30, 2020, based upon a recommendation from the Planning Board following a public hearing on June 1, 2020, the Governing Body adopted Resolution No. 145-

2020, designating the Parking Lot Properties as a non-condemnation area in need of redevelopment pursuant to the Redevelopment Law; and

WHEREAS, on August 11, 2020, based upon a recommendation from the Planning Board following a public hearing on July 20, 2020, the Governing Body adopted Resolution No. 180-2020, designating the L&T Properties as a non-condemnation area in need of redevelopment pursuant to the Redevelopment Law; and

WHEREAS, the Town Planner, Donald B. Sammet, PP/AICP, has prepared a redevelopment plan for the Redevelopment Area dated October 5, 2020, entitled the "*Downtown Westfield Scattered Site Redevelopment Plan*," a copy of which is attached to this Ordinance as Exhibit A (the "**Redevelopment Plan**"); and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has determined it to be in the best interests of the Town and the Redevelopment Area to adopt the Redevelopment Plan; and

WHEREAS, immediately following the introduction of this Ordinance, the Town Clerk was directed to refer this Ordinance and the Redevelopment Plan to the Planning Board for its review and recommendations pursuant to the Redevelopment Law, which review shall take place within forty-five (45) days of the referral.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Westfield as follows:

- 1. The "Downtown Westfield Scattered Site Redevelopment Plan," dated October 5, 2020, a copy of which is attached to this Ordinance as Exhibit A, is hereby adopted in its entirety.
- 2. If any provision or portion of this Ordinance is held to be unconstitutional, preempted by Federal or State law, or otherwise invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions of the ordinance shall not be invalidated and shall remain in full force and effect.
- 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final publication as required by law.
- 4. All ordinances and parts of ordinances that are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.